Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Possible Worker Exposures

Workers may have been exposed to radiation, tritium, beryllium, depleted uranium, plutonium and other hazardous radioactive and chemical substances.

Important Contact Information

California Bureau of Workers' Compensation (to file state workers' compensation): 415-703-5020

U.S. Department of Energy Workers' Compensation Helpline (toll-free): 877-447-9756

U.S. Department of Energy Benefits Website: http://www.eh.doe.gov/benefits

Site Background

Established in 1952, the Department of Energy's Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory researches, develops and maintains designs for nuclear weapons. The laboratory also conducts basic and applied research in strategic defense, energy, environmental science, bio-medicine and education. In recent years, partnerships with universities and industry and the commercialization of technology have been increasingly emphasized. The Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory site consists of two separate parcels of land: the 826 acre main site, located approximately 40 miles east of San Francisco, California, and the 7,000 acre Site 300, located approximately 15 miles east of the main site.

Prime Operating Contractor: University of California

Number of current contractor employees: 8,000 (estimated) Historical number of contractor employees: 21,000 (estimated)